ANNOUNCEMENT

Wisconsin Federal Funding Conference - November 1-2, 2011 - Wisconsin Dells

Presented by WASBO, WCASS, and the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

With the increased focus on the necessity for transparency and accountability of federal funds, school districts find that they must increase their understanding of federal requirements to remain in compliance with program regulations. But the silver lining of fiscal monitoring is a deeper understanding of how federal funds may be used. With this knowledge, districts have the tools to rearrange existing revenue sources to close gaps and fund new initiatives. This conference will provide school districts with the information they need not only to be in compliance, but to also maximize their federal resources.

All too often, conferences provide information that is of vital significance to school district staff...but the individuals attending realize that half of their personnel equation is missing. An individual who is an expert in their program area may go to a conference and hear a fi scal presentation, and then realize they need not only to understand the subject matter but be able to return to the district and report to the business offi ce. To "get everyone in the same room," we recommend school districts commit to sending a team of individuals: a special education program coordinator, a Title I program coordinator and business offi ce staff that works closely with special education and Title I funding. This could be the Business Manager, District Administrator or Business Office Support Staff. The purpose is to have program staff and operational staff attend sessions together.

Scheduled Topics Include:

- Title I Funding
- IDEA Funding
- IDEA Equitable Services (Private School Set-Aside)
- Title I Schoolwide and Targeted Assistance Programs
- Common Audit and Monitoring Issues with Title I and IDEA
- IDEA Maintenance of Effort
- IDEA Funding Title 1 Schoolwide Set-Aside
- Title I Private School Participation
- IDEA Funding Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS)
- Utilizing Existing Resources to Fund RTI
- Title I Comparability
- The Ins and Outs of the New ESEA Consolidated Application

Conference Brochure: http://xrl.us/fedfund

Session Descriptions / Registration: www.wasbo.com/federalfunding

For those districts that are interested in learning the different ways to utilize existing resources to implement or expand a Response to Intervention system, there will be an optional hands-on practicum on Wednesday afternoon. The practicum will keep districts in teams to work through

"story problems" with the end goal of learning how to utilize the various funding sources and situations to maximize a district's ability to fund RtI while learning how to avoid the pitfalls of federal funding non-compliance. Due to the nature of this workshop, space is limited.

Training for Medicaid School Based Services and Administrative Claiming

Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) and Public Consulting Group (PCG) would like to announce Medicaid Cost Reporting and Medicaid Administrative Claiming refresher trainings that will be held October 3-6, throughout the state. These trainings will take place in Green Bay, Rhinelander, Chippewa Falls, Madison, and Milwaukee. All school district staff who participate in this reporting are welcome to attend, along with any other individuals who would like to learn more about the process. Invitations have been e-mailed to all participating districts. All training dates and times are also posted on the PCG Medicaid Cost Reporting website dashboard, at https://costreporting.pcgus.com/wi. For any questions related to the trainings, please contact WiCostReport@pcgus.com/wi. For any questions related to the trainings,